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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration  
FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.  
Director of Data Processing  
SUBJECT : ODP Report for Week Ending 21 October 1977

\* Training Provided to FBI

ODP taught an eight day course, GIM-II Dictionaries, which was completed by 13 students. Five of these students are with the FBI and have been provided this training to help the FBI become more proficient with their newly introduced GIM-II system. GIM-II is a data base management system developed by TRW, Inc. for the Federal government and funded primarily by CIA. CIA is cooperating with other Federal agencies, like the FBI, to help them gain experience with this sophisticated system. Our main vehicle for this is a GIMS Users Group sponsored by CIA. [REDACTED]

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Budget Hearing

The budget hearing with OMB and Intelligence Community Staff examiners was held on Thursday afternoon. The hearing was conducted on the consolidated decision package level which was contained in the Zero Base Budget (ZBB) format previously provided to OMB. ODP answered 12 specific questions that had been provided prior to the hearing. [REDACTED]

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ODP Training Budget

ODP provided information to the DDA Budget Staff on how the cut in the FY-78 Training Budget was achieved and the effect this would have in FY-79. [REDACTED]

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Final Offers for IBM 360/195 Computer Replacement

The Office of Logistics has called for best and final offers from bidders for the computer to replace the IBM 360/195. Best and final offers are due in by 21 October. [REDACTED]

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Review of RFP's

Management Staff reviewed and sent back comments to the originators on two Requests for Proposal. One of the RFP's was for a Federal Automated Requisition (FAR) mini-computer; another was for management support services for ODP's Engineering Division. An RFP from NPIC on a minicomputer for a mensuration application has also been reviewed and comments sent to OL and NPIC. [REDACTED]

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Additional CPU for NPIC

ODP orally concurred with NPIC for the lease of a UNIVAC 1110 Command and Arithmetic Unit (CAU). This is an additional CPU for the NPIC Data System (NDS). [REDACTED]

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Space for CANS Computer Facility

Representatives of Management Staff, Engineering Division, and A Division met with representatives of the Office of Logistics (OL) Real Estate and Space Division. OL informed ODP that there is no space available in the Headquarters building for our requested expansion. Management Staff, ODP, will coordinate an impact statement that has been requested by OL. [REDACTED]

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Responses Written on FIPS PUBS

Comments were furnished the National Bureau of Standards on two proposed Federal Information Processing Standard Publications (FIPS PUB). These proposed FIPS PUBs addressed standards for a computer program abstract and revisions to a publication on optical character recognition. [REDACTED]

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SAFE

A briefing on the CIA and DIA Joint SAFE Project will be presented to the Senate Select Committee Staff on 4 November 1977 as part of a briefing on NFAC's use of ADP. The SAFE Design Competition Phase (DCP) Orientation Briefings for the DCP contractors, [REDACTED] started on Monday, 17 October. The briefings will continue through 27 October at Ames Building, with the exception of a 20 October briefing and tour of the Office of Communications Headquarters facilities and tour of the ODP Ruffing Computer Center. [REDACTED]

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ADSTAR

On 19 October 1977, Harris and PRC were debriefed on the non-selection of their proposals for the ADSTAR request for proposal. [REDACTED]

RAPID

The contractor has stated they plan to continue RAPID's development and pursue their claim against the Agency as an independent item.

The President of the contractor firm has been fired. The short term effect on the project is expected to be minimal; long term effect will depend on who is chosen as the replacement.

A RAPID Steering Committee Meeting was held on 21 October 1977. Among the items discussed was the Agency's position on how, or if, the RAPID project should continue. [REDACTED]

CAMS System Interruptions

The CAMS system was down the night of 19-20 October with hardware and software problems. The switch to the backup computer was unsuccessful, making the system unavailable to Community users from 1800 hrs. 19 October until approximately 1130 hrs. 20 October. [REDACTED]

A reallocation of disk space for the CAMS data base in the Special Center is scheduled for the weekend of 22 October. To do this the data base must be "frozen." Therefore, the data base will be available to users in a retrieve-only mode for a period of about 48 hours. [REDACTED]

Support to Office of Finance

CONIF - Management of information on Agency contracts and interface problems. Of the 25 problems that have been identified since the beginning of Phase II system tests, only 4 are still outstanding. Currently, project completion is scheduled for 1 January 1978. OF reports that approximately 25% of the testing is now complete. [REDACTED]

CAS - General Accounting System. The review of fiscal year-end closing reports has been completed by OF. All files were updated correctly during the year-end processing which was completed recently. [REDACTED]

PAYROLL - The Agency payroll system. Pay scales have been changed to reflect the recent pay raise.

Address labels for all overt Agency employees were prepared for OF. OF is planning to attach these labels to Special envelopes for mailing out Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) promotional material. [REDACTED]

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Support to Office of Central Reference

OCRDIR - Automation of the OCR directories. OCR has approved the page galleys for the publication of the Chinese and Romanian directories. We expect P&PD to complete the printing of these directories early next month.

We have completed the development of all menus and procedures which will be used to input and maintain standard directory data. Currently, we are performing final testing and producing a User's Guide. We expect to begin training OCR personnel next week and to move this software to the GIMS Production system in about two weeks. [REDACTED]

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Batch Systems Software Problem Diagnosed

The serious problem which caused the batch system in the Ruffing Computer Center to be unavailable for about 30 hours on 17-18 October has been found and circumvented. The JES3 problem was caused by a user's unusual reference to a "generation data group" (a special feature of the operating system). This should have resulted in the termination of the job with a JCL (Job Control Language) error. Instead, the job caused JES3 to terminate abnormally. IBM is working on a permanent fix for the problem. [REDACTED]

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The batch systems unavailability caused processing schedules to slip on PAYROLL, SANCA, GAS, FLSA, CFC, and some non-priority jobs. [REDACTED]

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Training

An eight day course, Basic PL/1, was completed by 14 students. A three day course, Basic JCL, was completed by 19 students. [REDACTED]

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